GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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REFINERIES IN TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the name of refineries functioning in Tamil Nadu at present;

(b) the total quantity and value of crude oil got refined in Tamil Nadu during each of the last three years, refinery-wise;

(c) whether the Government has any plan to start new refinery projects in Tamil Nadu; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a): The names of the refineries functioning in Tamil Nadu State are as under:

(i) Manali (Chennai) Refinery of Chennai Petroleum Corporation Limited (CPCL)

(ii) Cauvery Basin (Nagapattinam) Refinery of CPCL

(b): The total quantity and value of crude oil refined in Tamil Nadu during the last three years refinery-wise are as under:-

	CPCL Manali		CPCL Nagapattinam	
Year	Quantity in thousand metric tonnes(TMT)	Value (Rs. in Crore)	Quantity in thousand metric tonnes(TMT)	Value (Rs. in crore)
2002-03	6176.1	6534.2	643.2	712.8
2003-04	6386.7	6942.1	653.2	744.0
2004-05	8180.7	11610.1	742.2	1153.6

(c) and (d): The Refineries sector has been delicensed since June,1998 and a refinery can be set up anywhere in India by private or public sector enterprises depending on the promoters' assessment of its viability. It is not the Central Government but public and private sector enterprises who consider proposals for setting up refineries. Public Sector Undertakings may consider setting up a refinery in accordance with the decision-making authority delegated to them by Government vide Department of Public Enterprises' Office Memorandum No. DPE/11(2)/97-Fin dated 22-7-1997.